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WEATHER FORECAST
FAIR.
Barometer 30.02.

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October 30th, 1911, Temperature a.m. 75, p.m. 74; Humidity...73, 78.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1912.

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TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR.

BELATED TURKISH ACCOUNTS

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, October 30.

Reports three days old are now only received in Constantinople. They admit that the position of the western or Vardar army is precarious, but declare that a respectable force still holds Kuprili, disputing the Serbo-Bulgarian advance. The fall of Kuprili, however, is already ancient history to the rest of Europe. It was effected by a daring raid of cavalry commanded by the Servian King's brother, Prince Arsono, an ex-colonel of Cossacks.

HEAVY LOSSES.

The Turks were demoralized by the defeat at Kumanovo. They did not stop to ascertain the number of their assailants, but fled headlong.

According to Servian accounts the Turks at Kumanovo numbered 80,000. They lost 6,000. The Servians numbered 60,000 and lost 400 killed and 2,000 wounded.

SEVENTEEN TOWNS CAPTURED.

The extent of the Servian success is indicated by the list of towns captured: — Prilepolje, Novavaros, Sionitz, Novibazar, Mitrovitsa, Vincira, Prishtina, Preshovo, Gilan, Foyosvitch Kumanovo, Egringulanka, Kratovo, Kochana, Uskub, Kuprili, and Ishtip. The Turkish troops in these towns numbered 160,000, of whom the scattered remnants are retreating. The Servian captures include 200 guns and thousands of rifles.

VICTORS WELCOMED.

The inhabitants, even the Moslems, are rapidly accepting the Servian rule, and business is being resumed in all towns in direct communication with Belgrade. In the same way the Bulgarians are establishing bank agencies in the captured towns.

According to Turkish official telegrams the fighting continues at Kozani, north-west of Sofidje, and it is stated that the Greeks are retreating.

TURKS CLAIM VICTORY.

The Bulgarians are silent regarding the preparations now in progress at Adrianople, but Nazim Pasha has telegraphed that an important battle began on Monday, and still continues, the Turks gaining a victory. He declares that two Bulgarian battalions, cut off from the main body between Kirk Kilissah and Viza, have sustained heavy losses.

NEW GRAND VIZIER.

A message from Constantinople states that the Grand Vizier has resigned, and that Kamil Pasha succeeds. An Imperial decree orders the Grand Vizier to prosecute the Grand Vizier with the utmost vigour to victory.

A GREAT BATTLE.

Despatches received from Nazim Pasha report that a great battle has been in progress since yesterday morning. One hundred and fifty thousand troops were engaged on both sides and it is concluded that the position of the Turks is favourable.

Nazim Pasha further telegraphs that the Army in Adrianople made a sortie westward towards Metash, where it encountered the Bulgarian brigades and forced it to retreat with considerable loss in the direction of Herakleia and Komakely. Fighting also occurred at Viza where the Bulgarians were repulsed by the Turks who lost 800 men.

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GREEK SUCCESS.

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Reuter's correspondent at Athens states that the Greeks have occupied Verria without resistance. The railway to Monastir is interrupted.

TREACHEROUS TURKS.

Reuter's correspondent at Cetinje states that a body of Turks to the east of Scutari hoisted white flags, whereupon the Montenegrins allowed them to approach. The Turks then opened fire at close range and also charged with bayonets, killing and wounding 300 Montenegrins.

Afterwards the Montenegrins surrounded and exterminated the Turks.

ALLIES MEET.

Reuter's correspondent at Vranya states that the Servians had scarcely occupied Plevlje in Sandjak when the Montenegrin force arrived. The meeting of the allies resulted in scenes of extraordinary enthusiasm.

There are now no Turks in Sandjak and the allied columns are free to join the main armies.

BRILLIANT CAVALRY WORK.

Reuter's correspondent at Belgrade states that brilliant cavalry movements played a most important part in the taking of Kuprili. They cut the Turkish forces in two and then, with the assistance of the artillery, routed them.

THE CHINESE REPUBLIC.

PROVINCIAL FINANCE.

(From Chinese Bureau.)

Peking, October 30.

The Ministry of Finance has appointed several officials as Commissioners for investigating the condition of the finance of the different provinces. They will soon leave for their commissions.

A POPULAR DEMAND.

The Provincial Council of Hupeh has telegraphed to the State Council asking the latter to fight strongly for the removal of the power of the President to dissolve Provincial Councils.

PROTEST FROM U. S. A.

The Chinese residents in America have telegraphed to the Central Government that should Loung Kai-chin, the follower of Hing Yau-wai, be given post by the Republican Government, they swear that they will sever their connection with the mother country. — "Shant Po."

OPIUM REGULATIONS.

Shanghai, October 30.

President Yuan has given publicity to the contents of the anti-opium regulations under which the offences for preparing, selling, storing, or cultivating opium are specified.

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

The Ministry of Communications has consulted Tom Yun-fung about the construction of the Canton-Hankow Railway. The line will be divided into two sections. The Canton section will be under the management of a British engineer, while the Hankow section will be under a German engineer. — "Shant Po."

LOAN HARSHSHIP.

Shanghai, October 30.

Lui Yuk-lin, Chinese Minister at the Court of St. James, has telegraphed to the Central Government that on account of the Balkan war, there has been a set-back in the exchange market, and it is impossible for the loan to China, raised in London, to be remitted.

C. M. S. N. CO.

A meeting of the Cabinet Ministers will be held on the 1st of November in connection with the affairs of the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company. — "Shant Po."

TELEGRAMS.

CANADIAN POLITICS.

CHANGES IN THE CABINET.

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London, October 30.

Reuter's Ottawa correspondent wires that Mr. Louis Codore has been appointed Secretary of State; Mr. Roche, Minister of the Interior; and Mr. Rogers, Minister of Public Works.

THE TURF.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE STAKES.

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[Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, October 30.

The race for the Cambridgeshire Stakes, run to-day over a distance of one mile one furlong, resulted as follows:

Adam Bede (Foy) ... 1
La Boheme II (Sharp) ... 2
Drinmore (W. Huxley) ... 3

Twenty ran; won by half a length, one length separating second and third. Also ran:

Whisk Broom (Maher), Eton Boy (Trigg), Maiden Erleigh (Wootton), Mustapha (Robbins), Manwolf (Wheatley), Lance Chest (Walker), Brancapace (Clark), Grammont (Donoghue), Sobieski (Whalley), Wise Simon (Jellies), Hamerton (Herbert), Mordred (Ringstead), Kinsella (Watson), Oliver Goldsmith (Smyth), Saucy Vixen (Buckley), Bryony (Cooper), Outram (H. Marsh).

NEW JUDGE.

MR. C. M. BAILHACHE APPOINTED.

London, October 31.

Mr. Clement M. Bailhache, LL.B., K.C., has been appointed to a new additional Judgeship.

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Reuter's correspondent at New

York states that Police Lieutenant

Becker has been sentenced to

electrocution during the week

beginning December 12.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

TELEGRAMS.

THE NEWS CONDENSED.

War news three days old, only now being received in Constantinople.

Adam Bede won the Cambridgeshire Stakes after an exciting race. Lance Chest, the favourite, being unplaced.

A list of seventeen towns captured by Servia is given in the telegrams, thus indicating the extent of the Servian successes.

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The Cabinet reshuffling caused by the resignation of Mr. Monk results in Mr. Louis Codore being appointed Secretary of State, Mr. Roche Minister of Interior, and Mr. Rogers Minister of Public Works.

LOCAL.

Local amateur actors are shortly to stage Oscar Wilde's work, *An Ideal Husband.*

Three men found in unlawful possession of opium were each fined \$100, at the Police Court, this morning.

The man charged with murder by bomb throwing at Yau-mati was found guilty and sentenced to death at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

A Chinese found in unlawful possession of 400 taels of opium was fined \$600 at the Police Court, to-day. It was stated that he was endeavouring to export it on a Blue Funnel steamer.

John Sexton Dunn appeared before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court, this morning, charged with the murder of Robert Wangstrom, on board the s.s. Minnesota, on the 28th inst.

A Chinese who assaulted a lukong in Connaught Road West was fined \$10 for the assault and ordered to pay \$1.50 compensation for damage to the uniform, as well as being fined \$3 for acting in a disorderly manner, at the Police Court, this morning.

A woman charged along with him with being disorderly was fined \$2.

A man named Wing Lam Cheung, master of a licensed trading junk reported to the police at Shaukiwan yesterday that whilst sailing his junk from Victoria, in an easterly direction and when off the entrance to Lye-Mui-pai, the steamer Loong-Sang, which was steaming in a westerly direction, collided with his junk and struck it amidships, damaging it to the extent of

\$1,000.

AFTERNOON PROCEEDINGS.

The accused again appeared before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court, this afternoon.

Mr. P. M. Hodges, assistant

THE OTHER MAN.

The quartermaster's room was a common quartermaster's room known as a mess room. George Stein and McDonald then went down to the water tenders' messroom on the port side of the ship. There was another man in the water tenders' messroom as well, and they sat there

together.

George Stein, quartermaster on

the Minnesota, said that on the

28th he went on shore at 6.30

p.m. and returned to the ship in

the Company's launch at 10.20.

The accused was present in the

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GENERAL NEWS.

Death of a Dutch Admiral.

The death has taken place at The Hague, of Vice-Admiral A. H. Hoekwater, at the age of 58 years. In 1885, he was a first lieutenant of the Dutch Navy, attached to the torpedo service, and rendered valuable service to the Department of Naval and Military Hydrography. In 1905 he was nominated Commander of the Squadron in the Colonies, and was temporarily charged with the functions of Commander of the Navy and Chief of the Naval Department in Netherlands East India. After participating in the war operations in Celebes in 1905-1906, the deceased was nominated a Knight in the Military Willemsoord 4th Class. Admiral Hoekwater retired from active service in 1908.

Celebrations at Shanghai.

Preparations are now being made in Shanghai to celebrate the anniversary of the local outbreak of the revolution which occurred on the 13th day of the 9th moon or the 3rd day of November. The district assembly of Shanghai had passed the resolution that October, 22, should be observed as the anniversary date. But owing to lack of time for the necessary preparation the celebration will be postponed till the 3rd of November. The program will be very much the same as that of the anniversary on the 10th of October. There will be memorial services for those martyrs killed in the capture of the Asan.

Ingenuity.

A means of profiting by the spy mania has been discovered by a German, whose name—Glitch, which in the voracious suggests a certain slipperiness—deserves to go down to posterity with that of the Captain of Kopenick. The modus operandi adopted by this ingenuous gentleman was simplicity itself. He merely concocted bogus mobilization plans and bogus ciphers, which he sold to foreign Government officials for high prices, obtaining as much as £800 in one case. Newspaper publicity has, however, spoiled his "lay," unless he adopt an alias in the future.

Stage Fight in Earnest.

Paris, Oct. 1.—A stage conflict intended to form the subject of a cinematograph firm at an establishment in the Rue de Malte took an unexpected turn yesterday evening. Two rival bands of youths were engaged in a combat when one youth used his fists with exaggerated vigour. His adversary retaliated, and in a moment the fight was proceeding in deadly earnest. Knives were drawn and the combat was only stopped by the arrival of the police. During the fight two "supers" were badly cut.

Red Indians in Congress.

Red Indians still number over a quarter of a million of the population of the United States, and there is thus considerable scope for the Redskin conference which was held at Columbus, Ohio, during the first week in October. The leaders of the community declare that the Redskins, so far from being about to vanish, are increasing in numbers, and that they are, per capita, the richest inhabitants of the United States, their average wealth being about £700.

Hindoo Lloyd Georgeism.

It appears that some too progressive natives of Dacca have been arrested for deluding the superstitious into giving them money, to be doubled in a few days by occult power. In fact, says the "World," these Eastern financiers have been promising eightpence for fourpence.

A Hindoo promised eight or four;

We hustle him into the prison door,

A Welshman offers a penny more—

And he is the heaven-born Chancellor!

Petroleum from the States.

According to official estimates received from the United States, the total production of petroleum throughout the world last year amounted to 345,000,000 barrels, an increase of 17,500,000 barrels, as compared with the previous year. To this total the United States was the largest contributor, the production amounting to 83 per cent of the whole, or 220,000,000 barrels.

MR. BIRCH CRISP.

The Man Behind the Chinese Loan.

A few days ago the public, which knows nothing of its greatest men, had never heard of Charles Birch Crisp. Now it knows him as the financial Athanasius who is fighting against the world. It is a battle of giants, for behind the six Powers there is a great banking monopoly which has hitherto been unchallenged, and behind this monopoly there is a complicated network of international intrigue.

Apparently it is an unequal duel between one strong man in Angel-court and a host of irresistible antagonists. It is strange that this giant of finance should be unknown to the public. And yet it is not strange, for he is a plain, modest, reticent man, who does not relish his success plunge into world-wide notoriety.

To those who know him he is utterly unlike the financier depicted by the novelist and the dramatist. He does not wear his character on his sleeve. You might meet him at dinner without guessing at his genius.

He is a man of medium height, spare and wiry rather than robust, with a simple quiet air of good breeding rather than a masterful dominance. His head is not large. It is, in fact, an ordinary head with strong black hair which is regularly streaked with straight grey lines, and parted plainly on the left-hand side. His features are in no way remarkable. They are the features of a business man who knows his own mind. But the mouth is very resolute, with its resolute firm lips, tightly closed and clenched in a fixed decisiveness that marks the habit of self-reliance and trained will-power. The long, stiff upper lip is like a piece of carved marble, with that deep central indentation which is nearly always found in strong men.

The Eyes That See.

After the strong mouth the most salient characteristic of the face is the eyes. They are small and dark and piercing, and they look out under the well-knit eyebrows with startling intensity of vision. They look past you and onward as if searching out things in the far distance, and yet overlook nothing in the foreground. They have an arresting quality of concentration, almost painful in its energy, revealing the constant thrust and effort of a tireless mind and imagination. They are restless eyes that are never languid or lethargic, and they have that indefinable look which is the sign of lonely meditation and silent thinking. They are the eyes of a brooding intellect which is accustomed to work at high pressure in solitude.

It is a rather sombre and melancholy face, but its dark aloofness melts away when a rare smile softens the rock-like lips and the fixed steady eyes twinkle with humour and geniality. Then the native kindliness and good-fellowship of the man dominate the strategic thinker.

Like all notable men, he possesses the grace of simplicity as well as the subtlety of subtlety. His character is built upon this solid base of simplicity. Perhaps the innate strength and forcefulness of his personality come out most emphatically in his voice, with its dark, deep masculine timbre. It is a magnetic voice, slow and deliberate and clear, in its controlled evidences. There is no hesitancy in his talk, for his lucid brain shapes his phrases with an unfaltering precision and an unerring choice of nuance and fine shade. You are never in doubt as to his meaning, although you feel that he habitually says less than he thinks.

The intellectual qualities which have made him what he is are concentration, judgment, imagination, and courage. I should say from what I know of him that these qualities are equally mixed and fused in his character. A perfect combination of these qualities is seldom found in any man, and their combination explains the swiftness and sureness and largeness of his methods.

Courage and Caution.

He has the brilliant imagination of the American, together with the caution and indomitable courage of the Englishman. His audacity is not so audacious as it seems, for it never outruns his judgment. But when his judg-

ment is satisfied he allows nothing to deflect him from his course. He is, above all things, decisive in his decisions, irrevocable in his resolves. When his mind is made up he allows nothing to worry him. The thing is settled and done with finality. He locks the door upon it, and goes ahead.

He has the power of detaching himself completely from cares which would rob another man of sleep. Probably the one man in London who was least perturbed by the storm raging round the Crisp loan was Charles Birch Crisp. When the storm was at its height he calmly walked out of his office for a day in the country. The Six Powers would have been astonished to see him in his capacity as Field President of the Royal Forest Agricultural Association, cheerfully entertaining Berkshire country gentlemen and farmers at luncheon in a marquee erected on his own farm near Ascot. Instead of fretting over the ruses of diplomacy, he was jesting merrily about the vicissitudes of farming and about its value as a counter-irritant to the worries of his finance.

If the truth were told, his heart is in his Yorkshire estate and in the beautiful country house which he has designed and built to please himself. He is his own architect at Moor Close as well as in Angel-court. His house is on a hill, and its great, spacious windows gratify his love of broad views to every point of the compass. From the roof he can see all round him. And that is the nature of the man—free, unfettered, far-ranging, yet homely and healthy.

At bottom he is an English country gentleman, happy in his acres, his Suffolk Puncos, and his cattle. It was a piquant contrast to watch the man who thinks in millions standing up in a great farm wagon to distribute certificates and half-sovereigns to ploughmen and cownmen.

He is a typical Englishman, and anybody who knows him cannot doubt that his career is only beginning. He is in the prime of life, and he regards the Chinese Loan as but an episode, and by no means the most arduous episode, in his strenuous days.

—Daily News and Leader.

Fire in Rubber Store.

Ipo, Oct. 21.—The rubber store of the Guanong Pari Estate, at Chemor, F.M.S. has been completely destroyed by fire which originated in the smoking chamber. Altogether 2,475 lbs. of rubber were destroyed, but the loss is covered by insurance.

No Free Traders in British Columbia.

Mr. Turner, Agent-General for British Columbia writes to the "Westminster Gazette," denying previous correspondents' assertions that western men are free traders. "I am quite certain," says Mr. Turner, "there are few if any free traders in British Columbia. Workingmen are practically all Protectionists. I know this well from many elections I have run in there."

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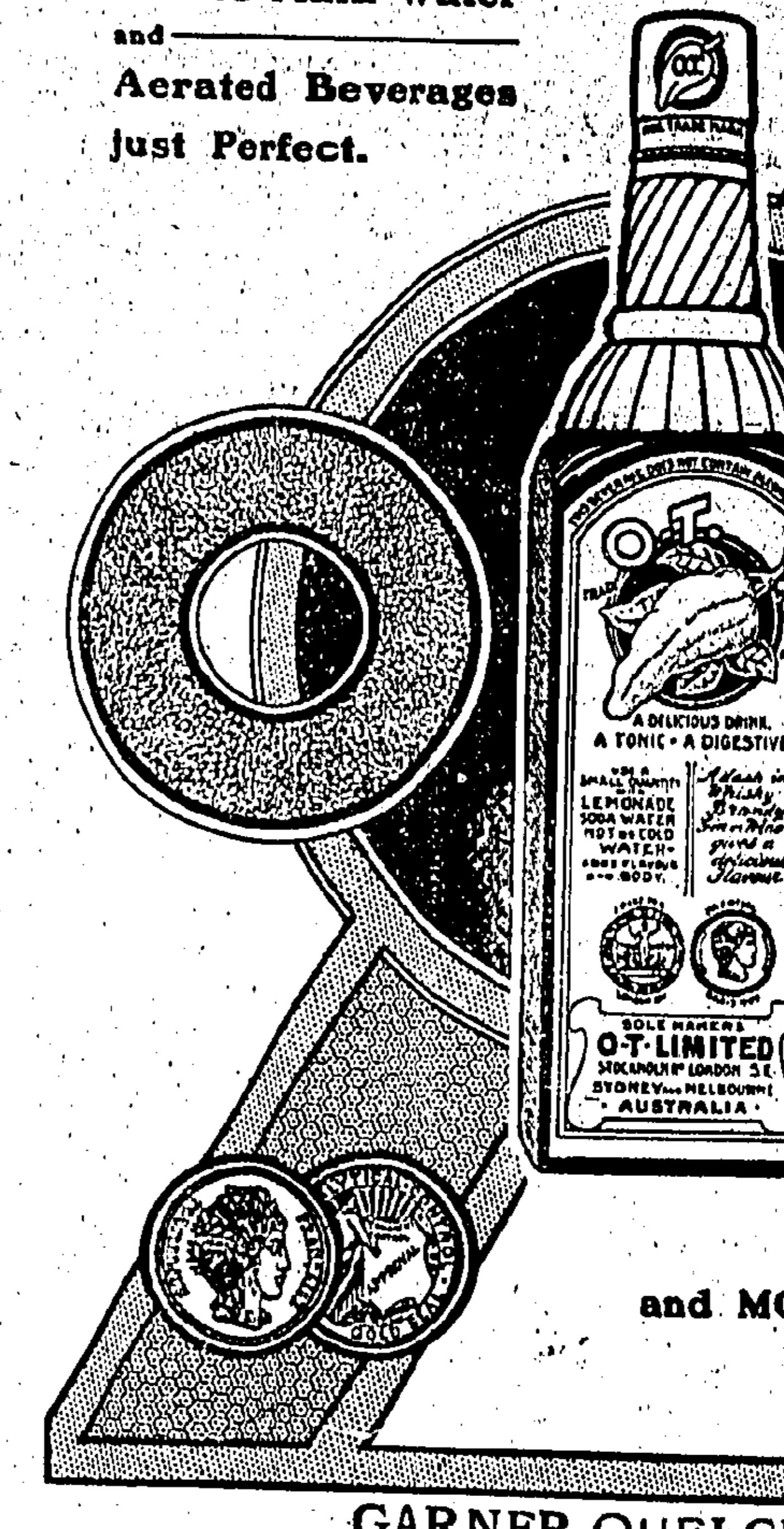
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TROUBLED TURKEY.

These are bitter days for "the Sick Man of Europe." The unequalled war with Italy has passed into history, it is true; but Turkey's troubles never come singly, and to-day the Porte finds itself engaged in a grim struggle against a quartette of States worked into war-like passions and activities by the contemplation of long-standing grievances. However ill-matched Turkey proved herself to be in the war with Italy, things have been going even worse for her in the Balkan imbroglio. By this time it must have been well impressed on the official mind in Constantinople that it is far more comforting to have one enemy than four, especially when each of the four represents a sturdy people who know how to fight for their liberties and rights. And there is no mistaking the fact that some of these smaller European States can fight when the need arises, and their Armies, though small, are largely composed of really good stuff. It need not be wondered at, therefore, that even the Turks, born warriors though they be, find it none too comfortable to be pressed on all sides by sturdy, capable, well-officered troops of four nations.

It only needs a passing glance at the war news daily coming over the wires to realise how badly things are going for the Ottoman Empire. And the query naturally arises in one's mind as to what will be the eventual outcome in case of a continuance of these successes by the allied forces. We can quite appreciate the point of the Vienna "Reichspost" when it asserts that the *status quo* in the Balkans is dead and that no diplomacy can possibly revive it. And arguing from this standpoint it is not easy to see how any of the Powers will be enabled to stave off the threatened collapse of Ottoman power. It is, indeed, quite clear that the process of disintegration has long since set in, and, even had their been no Balkan War, it is extremely questionable whether the future of Turkey would have been less weak and broken than is its present state. Six years ago even, Professor Vambery, the well-known authority on Middle Eastern affairs, wrote in his most engrossing book on "Western Culture in Eastern Lands," of the difficulty, after taking into account all the extenuating circumstances, of painting the future of the Ottoman Empire in any other than sombre colours. He rightly pointed out that political, national, religious, economic and ethnical obsolescence arose on all sides to prevent an energetic and healthy regeneration. And since those days Turkey has shown little capacity to surmount these towering mountains which block out of sight the promised land.

As events stand at present, Turkey stands more than a chance of a weakening of her power and influence in Europe as a consequence of her latest troubles. Hence the *status quo* must almost inevitably be decidedly disturbed. For it cannot for a moment be thought that, having once proved their ability and strength to shake off the oppressor, the Balkan States are quietly to allow things to remain as they are. It cannot be for this that they are ready and willing to face the terrors of modern warfare. And it was a timely hint recently thrown out that these States will certainly not be content of victories, to wait in the antechamber while the Powers are sealing amities. The real danger to the peace of Europe will be when the present strife is finished, but with calmness, patience and a regard for the common weal, the Powers should meet no inharmonious difficulty in their desire to save the unexpected and calamitous of a general European conflagration.

DAY BY DAY.

A man who works simply as a machine is no use; but if he tried to do his work a little better than his neighbour, he is a man who will turn out well.

A Long Reign.

The King of Greece commenced his reign 40 years ago to-day.

Arrived.

By the s.s. *Jelunga*, from Calcutta, there arrived to-day Lieut. Shearer.

C. C. C. Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Craigengowar Cricket Club takes place to-morrow evening.

Voyage Report.

The s.s. *Linan*, from Shanghai, reports:—Strong monsoon from Tung Yung to the Lamooka with rain and high sea; fine other wise.

Home Ward Bound.

Amongst the passengers who left for Home by the s.s. *Derflinger* were Capt. and Mrs. Gratton, and Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Looker.

Charge of Stealing Cigarettes.

Before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court, this morning, a Chinese charged with stealing cigarettes was remanded. Mr. F. X. D'Almada defended.

Japanese Cruiser Arrives.

The Japanese cruiser *Knase* arrived in port from Amoy yesterday afternoon. Built in 1904, she has a displacement of 7,700 tons, and her best known speed is 20.2 knots.

Smart Penalty.

Three men appeared before Mr. Melbourne at the Police Court, this morning, charged with being in unlawful possession of opium. They were fined \$167 each or in default two months' hard labour.

Gun Practice.

Gun practice will be carried out as follows:—31st instant.—Stonecutters' West, in a W. to S. W. direction, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. 4th Nov.—From Mount Davis, in a W. to S. W. direction, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Christmas Cards.

We have received from Messrs. Kelly and Walsh a number of tastefully embossed Christmas Cards, with the greeting in English and Chinese. Those who have not yet purchased their Christmas Cards should pay a visit to Messrs. Kelly & Walsh.

A Timely Hint.

Residents in Kowloon who wish to send papers, magazines or books, for the use of men on the homeward voyage during the present trooping season, are asked to send them to Major F. P. S. Taylor, A. S. C., Chynor's Bungalow, Kowloon.

Tried to Smuggle Opium.

A Chinese was fined \$5000 at the Police Court, this morning, being in unlawful possession of 400 taels of opium valued \$2000. The alternative to paying the fine was three months imprisonment. It was stated that the defendant was caught endeavouring to smuggle the opium out of the Colony by taking it on to a Blue Funnel cargo steamer. He was stopped by a revenue officer who found the tins amongst his luggage.

Mr. Gerhard Stewart's Question.

Mr. Gerhard Stewart, M.P., for the Wirral Division of Cheshire, and formerly member of the Legislative Council of Hongkong, has been asking Mr. Harcourt, the Colonial Secretary, what Colonial Service Mr. Stubbs, the newly appointed Colonial Secretary of Ceylon, had seen. Mr. Harcourt replied that "Mr. Stubbs served twelve years in the Eastern Department, Colonial Office. He has not hitherto served in any of the Colonies except that he carried out a special mission to the Malay Peninsula and Hongkong in 1910 very much to my satisfaction."

Bijou Theatre.

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The two new lady artistes—Miss Dollie Connor, balladist, and Miss Gladys Porter, singer—both sang very pretty songs last night, and quite evidently captivated their audience. Both are certain to be a big success at the Bijou. The films, as usual, are decidedly entertaining, particularly those dealing with the ever-popular Nick Winter, Wiffles and Max Linder. The pictures of the Mediterranean Coast of France are especially beautiful and none should fail to see them.

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OUR BURGLAR."

A Trick He is Alleged to Have Played at Macao.

If the information a representative of the "Telegraph" has received is correct, the doings of "Our Burglar" kept the authorities at Macao particularly watchful during the time they had him in custody.

It is stated that the man was not only handcuffed but kept in leg-irons at first, and it was believed that it was impossible for him to escape from such fastenings.

One day, however, a member of the prison staff was more than surprised to find that the prisoner was not so secure as had been contemplated. He made an examination of the manacles and leg-irons, and found that though latter were made of drawn iron, the prisoner had managed to force one of the links open.

The head of the prison staff was immediately informed and when he ascertained for himself that the man had performed this feat, he determined to leave nothing to chance as regards keeping his quarry secure.

From this moment all prospects of an escape were "knocked on the head," and "Our Burglar" settled down to the existence he was compelled to lead.

An armed guard was kept over him night and day and on Tuesday he was safely handed over to the Hongkong Police who were sent to Macao to bring him back.

Every precaution will now be taken to ensure him appearing at the Criminal Sessions, to be held in November and to which he has been committed to take his trial.

"AN IDEAL HUSBAND"

The amount of amusement this winter bids fair to exceed any given in previous seasons, if the past few weeks are anything to go by. It is good to see that local amateurs are by no means backward. Already there have been three local productions and now we are informed that the *coturnus* is to be again donned by Hongkong actors.

The work chosen this time is Oscar Wilde's "An Ideal Husband," an ambitious choice, but not, it is generally thought, outside the capabilities of as strong a cast as can be brought together in the Colony. Mrs. W. Logan is to appear, and her amateur theatrical reputation is already well enough known to ensure success of the part she takes.

The "book" is typical of Oscar Wilde, and contains passage of brilliant dialogue alternating with dramatic situations, that the author knew so well how to handle. Its vividly fresh pictures of English life made it particularly popular on the continent.

SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE CONCERT.

The attendance at the Concert in the Seamen's Institute on Tuesday night was rather small. This is accounted for by the fact that the concert had been postponed from Monday night owing to the typhoon.

The programme provided was an excellent one. The majority of the entertainers belonged to H. M. S. *Newcastle*. Lieut. R. B. Cotesworth R. N. was indefatigable in his labours towards making the evening's work a success. The songs were principally of the comic character, and the get up was in some cases extremely amusing. Engr. Lieut. Grigg and Lieut. Cotesworth with Messrs. Miller, Sintee, Young and Reynolds, provided the star turns, Stoker Young being especially good in his comic song "The Caretaker." A regrettable incident happened towards the close of the programme when Mr. Chapman who was singing an encore ("I must go home to-night") was asked to stop, because some hypercritical member of the audience took exception to the chorus. This was very unfortunate as it put a damp on an otherwise very pleasant evening, and was wholly uncalled for.

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SHORTAGE OF WATER.

Hongkong's Water Supply Causing Anxiety.

The lack of rain is causing considerable anxiety to be felt regarding Hongkong's water supply, so much so that the services to houses in the Mid-Levels will be disconnected from the mains as soon as possible. The erection of public fountains, from which a supply of water can be obtained, have been erected in the streets. The erection of public fountains is about to be proceeded with and the services to houses will be disconnected as the provision of such fountains proceeds.

It is further notified that as the rainfall during the current year has been much below the average and as the dry season has set in earlier than usual, the City and Hill District are threatened with a serious shortage of water. The co-operation of the public in preventing the waste or extravagant use of water and in exercising every possible economy in its use is accordingly invited.

WHICH WAS

PARALYSED?

Curious Evidence in Action for Money Lent.

Some interesting evidence was led this morning in the Summary Court, before Mr. Justice Gompertz, Puisne Judge, when Wong Wing, sued Mak Ying, a woman, trading as Mak Ying Kee, owner of a trading junk T 1855 H, to recover the sum of \$224, being as to \$200 principal and \$24 interest, on an acknowledgment note.

Mr. Otto Kong Sing appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Lewis, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, appeared for the defendant.

Mr. Kong Sing said the action was for money lent; plaintiff claimed \$200 principal and \$24 interest, and he would tell the Court that he lent the money and obtained a Chinese document of acknowledgement.

The plaintiff gave evidence in support of the claim.

Mr. Lewis:—Were you ill at the beginning of the year?—No.

Were you not paralysed?—No; it was the defendant who was paralysed, (laughter). She could not get out of bed and get the money to pay me.

At that time you actually had to borrow money to pay for your medicines?—I had no need to borrow money from anybody to borrow medicines. I had five or six hundred dollars at the beginning of the year.

Mr. Lewis, mentioning other cases against the defendant, got the plaintiff to admit that one of his names was Wong Wing-san. It was not true that he had given the other documents to different persons to sue upon.

The defence was a denial that the defendant had ever borrowed money from the plaintiff, that the plaintiff was paralysed when he was supposed to have lent the money, and that the three other plaintiffs had issued their writs at the request of the plaintiff, who had got hold of the documents somehow.

Wong Wing-san also sued the same defendant to recover \$300 for money lent on an acknowledgment note.

Mr. H. K. Holmes appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Lewis, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, defended.

Mr. Holmes said he had not seen his client since the day on which the writ was returned.

Mr. Kong Sing doubted whether Mr. Holmes had ever seen his client.

Mr. Holmes said his client might have a good excuse for not turning up and he might have to apply later on.

In the end His Lordship found for the defendant in this case and other similar cases against her in the list of the day.

For Shanghai.

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S.S. BORNEO IN A TYPHOON.

The s.s. *Borneo*, which arrived in port yesterday from Sandakan, reports that on her outward voyage from Hongkong she passed through a typhoon in the neighbourhood of Scarborough Reef, but the ship behaved splendidly. Before entering the centre of the typhoon and on leaving it the wind was blowing at 12 force (or 90 miles an hour), but in the centre the force was only 3 (or 18 miles). The lowest barometer reading was 28.45.

On the return voyage, very little monsoon was felt, there being only a slight N.E. swell.

ASSAULTED THE LUKONG.

At the Police Court, this morning, before Mr. E. A. Irving, a man was charged with behaving in a disorderly manner in Connaught Road West, and also with assaulting a Lukong and damaging his uniform. A woman was also charged with behaving in a disorderly manner along with the man.

The male defendant was fined

\$3 on the first charge, ordered to pay \$1.50 compensation and fined \$10 for the assault. The woman was fined \$2 on the charge of disorderly behaviour.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held this afternoon in the Council Chamber.

There were present, H. E. the Governor, Sir Francis Henry May, K.C.M.G.

The Hon. the Officer Commanding the Troops, (Colonel Charles William Robert St. John).

The Hon. Colonial Secretary, Mr. Claud Severs.

The Hon. Attorney General, Mr. J. A. S. Bucknill.

The Hon. Colonial Treasurer, Mr. A. M. Thomson.

The Hon. Director of Public Works, Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.G.

The Hon. Registrar General, Mr. E. R. Hallifax.

The Hon. Captain Superintendent of Police, Mr. F. J. Badley.

The Hon. Sir Kui Ho Kai, Kt., M.B., C.M.G.

The Hon. Wei Yuk, O.M.G.

The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C.

The Hon. Mr. E. Osborne.

The Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross.

The Hon. Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar.

Mr. C. H. Crofton, Clerk to the Councils.

The Water Supply.

His Excellency the Governor said:—Gentlemen, before proceeding with the orders of the day I would like to make a short statement as to the necessity of economizing the water supply.

It is necessary to resort to some further means of conserving the available supply of water in order to tide over the dry season which has set in. On the 21st instant, the reservoirs contained 452 million gallons and their contents had been depleted during the preceding week to the extent of 205 million gallons. If the present hours of supply (2 hours daily throughout the Rider Main Districts and constant supply elsewhere) be maintained, the rate of depletion will increase somewhat as the dry season advances and I consider that it must be estimated at 23 million gallons per week. On this basis, the water in the reservoirs would last for 10 weeks from the 21st instant or until the end of February.

As the rains cannot be depended upon to commence before the middle of May next, it is necessary to adopt arrangements which will result in the available stock of water (452 million gallons) being distributed over a period of, say, 30 weeks. The rate of depletion of the reservoirs must therefore be reduced to 15 million gallons per week or, say, 2 million gallons per day.

The streams, including those intercepted by the temporary pump near Tyuen Intermediate Reservoir, can be depended upon to yield about 7 million gallons per day, thus admitting of a daily supply of 3 million gallons. As the daily consumption under Constant Supply amounts to 6 million gallons or 24 gallons per head per day, the diminished supply (3 millions per day) would amount to 12 gallons per head per day, which is rather more than the daily consumption in Kowloon under constant supply. No great hardship will therefore be inflicted on the population by the proposed reduction in the daily supply, provided such supply can be uniformly distributed.

Now there are three alternative methods of effecting the necessary reduction in the consumption, viz:—

(1) A reduction in the hours of supply by rider mains to the Rider Main Districts.

(2) The erection of public fountains and disconnection of the house services throughout the Rider Main Districts. (3) The importation of water for the supply of that portion of the City bordering the harbour and the disconnection of such portion from the city mains.

The Government have given this matter very careful consideration and have arrived at the conclusion that the second of these measures is the best.

There is already only a two hours daily supply to the Rider Main Districts. A reduction to one hour which would be necessary to produce an economy approaching to what is necessary would cause much hardship to the occupiers of the upper floors of houses from which complaints are even now frequent. The occupiers referred to would under a one hour's supply have to go long distances to obtain water and would collect it from some sources liable to contamination.

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CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

Sentence of Death in Bomb Case.

Yesterday the trial of Wu Hon for the murder of Li Kwan Tsui, at Yaumati on Sept. 11, was resumed before the Chief Justice, Mr. W. Rees David, K.C., and a jury comprised as follows:—Messrs. J. W. Kow, R. K. Miller, W. B. Stormer, P. W. A. Wilkie, L. J. Blackburn, H. L. Beyer, and T. S. Robson.

The Attorney General, the Hon. Mr. J. A. S. Bucknill, instructed by the Assistant Crown Solicitor, Mr. P. M. Hodgson, appeared for the Crown and Mr. F. C. Jenkins, instructed by Mr. C. A. S. Russ, of Messrs. Goldring, Barlow and Morrel, defended.

An aman said she saw the bomb thrown, and heard a cry of "Save life." A man dressed in black ran away, and a man dressed in white was brought back in custody.

Cross-examined by the Attorney-General, witness said she was the aman to the mistress of the accused.

A Chinese witness said he came out of a house with the accused just prior to the occurrence, and accused had nothing in his hand. They were going to take tea together. He saw something thrown down on the ground which caused a noise similar to the explosion of a cracker. He subsequently saw that Wu Hon had been arrested by the police.

The Attorney-General—Are not you the father of accused's sweetheart?

Witness—Yes.

Mr. Jenkins, in his address to the jury, said if there were two separate stories, and if there was any doubt in the case, then the accused must have the benefit of that doubt. The case for the prosecution rested chiefly upon the evidence of Tsang Hing, and the declarations put in by Mr. Molbourne. To a certain extent, but very much less, it rested upon the shoulders of two Chinese constables. It would be his duty to go through the evidence, and to point out serious discrepancies. He suggested that Tsang Hing and the constable were lying, deliberately or unintentionally, about the distance they ran when chasing the accused. As far as the declarations were concerned, they only referred to a man named Long Chai Hon. Then when the accused came in the room the deceased said "Wu Hon, Wu Hon, the man without the jacket, why did you want to strike me?" He said the man who threw the bomb at him was Long Chai Hon.

The Attorney-General then dealt with the points raised for the defence.

His Lordship exhaustively reviewed the evidence, and after an absence of about five minutes the jury returned, and the Foreman announced that they found the prisoner guilty.

His Lordship passed sentence of death, and described the action of the prisoner as a very bad one.

LOCAL SPORT.

Crisp Notes from all Quarters.

The annual meeting of the members of the V.R.C. is to be held on the 6th. The General Committee will place before the meeting the following regulation:—That the tax in Rule 14 at present reading "new arrivals....." they enter, shall be altered by the deletion of "S1.50 per month" and that "S5.00" be substituted (i.e. instead of a payment of \$4.50 after the 30th September for the remainder of the year, it shall be \$5.00).

In the annual statements just published, the house subcommittee states that during the past year it was found that the boat ramp was being undermined owing to the sea forcing its way under the foundations, and as this was considered dangerous to the building it allowed to go on it was thought advisable to have it attended to without delay. This work is practically completed. The boat house section continues to awaken interest, especially among the younger rowing members. The boats, oars and all rowing gear are in very good condition. The boat house committee is gratified with the success attending the rates, all of which were financial successes.

Touching the gymnasium, the sub-committee reports as follows:—Gymnastic classes were revived last October, when the services of a competent instructor, in the person of Col. Sergeant Brigadier, was secured for the club. In the early part of the winter the attendance was, at times, very good, as many as 30 members putting on an appearance for physical drill and work over the apparatus. But a dwindling down set in as the winter advanced, until the regular attendants numbered only six or seven.

However, the class was carried on without intermission, but, owing to this deplorable falling off, the Committee could not arrange to give a display. All the apparatus is in good order, and the flooring and fixtures of the Gymnasium are in excellent condition.

The bar showed a profit on the year's working of \$1,013.65. The balance sheet is distinctly gratifying to the members, the surplus for the year being \$1,618.52.

H.K.C. Six-A-Side Competition.

In the Hongkong Football Club's six-a-side competition, last evening the Bank defeated Linton's team, by two goals to nothing, whilst Chapman's team and Taikoo played a goal-less draw.

H.K. Football League.—2nd Division.

The following are the ties for the first round in the second division of the Hongkong Football League:—

Thursday, Oct. 31st.—V.R.C. v. Diocesan School, on Causeway Bay ground, 5.15 p.m. Referee, Corp. Smith, K.O.Y.L.I.; Police v. 87th Co., R.G.A., on Military ground, 4.30 p.m. Referee, Sergt. Giddy, R.E.

Friday, Nov. 1st.—Submarines v. 88th Co., R.G.A., on Dockyard ground, 4.30 p.m. Referee, Mr. Woods, R.G.A.

Saturday November 2nd.—83rd Co., R.G.A., v. St. Joseph's, on military ground at 2.30 p.m. Referee, Sergt. Wilson, R.G.A.

The following have been chosen to play for the Victoria Recreation Club in to-day's match against the Diocesan School:

Goal, G. C. Jorge; back, M. J. Railton and L. G. Cordeiro; half-backs, P. H. Maasberg, B. W. Bradbury and N. Maher; forwards, J. F. Castro, B. A. Carvalho, H. H. Taylor, W. Musket and J. E. Chunnell.

CRICKET.

A match will be played on the Hongkong Cricket Club Ground on Saturday, between Possibles and Probables. Play is to commence at 2 p.m. Teams:—

Probables:—R. Hancock, W. C. D. Turner, A. C. E. Elborough, Lt. A. G. White, G. R. Sayer, R. O. Hutchison, K. A. C. Claxton, H. G. Bagnall, A. E. Fowler, Capt. H. K. Hughes and Corp. Taverner.

Possibles:—H. Hancock, R. E. Bird, J. S. Lloyd, Lance Corp. Dempsey, S. H. Dodwell, J. W. Stephenson-Jellie, A. H. Gillingsham, E. B. Reed, Capt. R. D. Crawford, D. E. Donnelly and A. N. Joceland.

The Kowloon Cricket Club first eleven are to play their first league game against the Craigen-gower eleven on the Kowloon grounds on Saturday. The game commences at half past two.

The Kowloon 'B' team are to play against the Civil Service, on the Civil Service grounds, on Saturday at half past two.

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15 Nov. 87 Coy R.G.A. v. H.M.S. Kent, Military, Corp. Smith.

16 Nov. K.O.Y.L.I. (B) v. 83 Coy R.G.A., Military, Corp. Toller.

19 Nov. R.E. v. H.M.S. Defence, Military, Corp. Smith.

20 Nov. H.M.S. Kent v. 88

Coy R.G.A., Naval, Sgt. Wilson.

22 Nov. K.O.Y.L.I. (A) v. 87

Coy R.G.A., Military, Br. Woods.

25 Nov. H.M.S. Defence v. 87

Coy R.G.A., Naval, Mr. Gr. Ful-

ler.

26 Nov. R.E. v. H.M.S. Kent,

Military, Sgt. Wilson.

28 Nov. H.M.S. Defence v. 83 Coy

R.G.A., Naval, Br. Woods.

All matches commence at 4 p.m.

The Hon. Sec. would be pleased

to have the names of any

qualified referees desirous of re-

ferring.

DON'T FORGET.

Wednesday, Nov. 6. Licensing Board, Council Chamber, 2.15.

Concert Phoenix Club.

Saturday, Nov. 2.

Boxing Victoria Theatre.

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Sunday, Nov. 3.

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 SHANGHAI, SWATOW, HANGSANG* ... Sunday, 3rd Nov., D'light.
 SINGAPORE, SAMAR, ANG & SORABAYA FAUSANG Monday, 4th Nov., Noon.
 TIENTSIN CHEONGSHING* ... Friday, 8th Nov., Noon.
 MANILA YUENSANG* ... Saturday, 9th Nov., 2 P.M.
 SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI NAMSANG Monday, 11th Nov., Noon.

RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN (Occupying 40 days).
 The steamers "Kumgang," "Namsang" and "Fookang," leave about every 8 weeks for Shanghai and Japan returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong. Time occupied 20 days. This service is supplemented by the "Lahsing" and "Kumsang" leaving Hongkong at regular intervals for Moji and Kobe and returning thence direct to Hongkong. Time occupied 16 days.

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A duly qualified surgeon is also carried.

Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

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For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., Telephone No. 216.

General Managers.

THE ROYAL MAIL STEAM PACKET COMPANY "SHIRE" LINE SERVICE

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

For Steamship On

LONDON & ANTWERP, FLINTSHIRE 20th Nov.

Does not carry passengers.

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HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO, AND WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE ON THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD., HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

HONGKONG TO CANTON CANTON TO HONGKONG THURSDAY, 31ST OCTOBER.

10.00 p.m. "FATSHAN" ... 5.00 p.m. "KINSHAN".

FRIDAY, 1ST NOVEMBER.

8.00 a.m. "HEUNGSHAN" ... 8.00 a.m. "HONAM."

10.00 p.m. "KINSHAN" ... 5 p.m. "FATSHAN".

These steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to the Superior Saloon and Cabin, Electric Fan in each Cabin.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "SUI TAI" Tons 1651 S.S. "SUI AN" Tons 1651

HONGKONG TO MACAO. Week days at 8 A.M. & 2 P.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf. Sunday at 3 A.M. & 12.30 P.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

MACAO TO HONGKONG.

Week days at 7.30 A.M. and 2 P.M. Sunday, at 7.30 A.M. and 5 P.M.

EXCURSION TO MACAO

(SUNDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER).

The Company's Steamship,

"SUI AN."

will depart from the Company's WING LOK STREET WHARF at 9 A.M. and return from Macao at 5 P.M.

The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 7.30 A.M. and from Hongkong at 12.30 P.M. from the Company's WING LOK STREET WHARF.

This steamer connects with the excursion steamer returning from Macao at 5 P.M.

FARES AS USUAL.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the Company.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. HOI-SANG, 457 Tons.

Departure from Macao to Canton on Mon., Wednes., & Fri., at 9 P.M. Departure from Canton to Macao on Tues., Thurs., & Sat., at 4.30 P.M.

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CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM" 588 Tons, and "NANNING" 569 Tons.

One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8 A.M., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at 8.30 A.M. Round trip takes about 5 days. Passengers can return to Hongkong or vice versa by the Company's direct steamers "LINTAN" and "SANUI." These vessels have superior Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity. Electric Fan in each Cabin.

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Taking cargo to all European, North American, Levantine, Black Baltic Sea and
Ports, and all North and South American Ports.

Next Sailings from Hongkong:

OUTWARD.

HOMEWARD.

For Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama: S.S. LIBERIA, 13th Nov.; S.S. ALEXIA, 19th Nov.; S.S. SAMBIA, 5th Dec.; S.S. SCANDIA, 10th Nov.; S.S. ARMENIA, 17th Dec.; S.S. BRISGAVIA, 8th Jan.; S.S. SILESIA, 14th Jan.; O. J. D. AHLERS, 26th Jan.; S.S. SUEVIA, 10th Feb.

For Further Particulars, apply to—
Hamburg-Amerika Linie,
Hongkong Office. [12]

BRITISH INDIA S. N. CO., LTD.

NEW FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN
KOBE, HONGKONG AND RANGOON.

EASTWARD.

The S.S. "LAWADA," 3,200 tons, Captain C. H. Lane, will be
despatched for YOKOHAMA and KOBE on the 10th November, at noon,
to be followed on the 21st November, by S.S. "OKARA," Captain Evans,
taking cargo and passengers at current rates.

For Freight or Passage, apply to—

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., AGENTS.

Telephones No. 215, Hongkong, 29th October, 1912

THE AUSTRALIAN ORIENTAL LINE.

HONGKONG TO PHILIPPINES & AUSTRALIAN PORTS.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Steamers:	Arrive Hongkong from Australia.	Leave Hongkong for Australia.
CHANGSHA		1st Nov., Noon.

These steamers are fitted with refrigerating machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of ice, fresh provisions, etc., and have superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms. A duly qualified Doctor is carried. Reduced Fares. Cargo booked through for all Australian New Zealand and Tasmanian ports.

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LOG BOOK.

Remarkable Rescue in Red Sea.

The following abstract of the log of the "Pearlmoor" gives particulars of a remarkable rescue of sailor at sea. The man in question was landed at Port Said, and rejoined his own ship.

Abstract of log per "Pearlmoor" from Karrache to Port Said for orders, Tuesday, 13th August, 1912.—Lat. 19° 25' N. Long. 30° 10' E. Red Sea, 1 a.m. Fresh W.N.W. wind, mod. sea, cloudy. 1:35 a.m. Cries were heard off the port bow, coming from the water, apparently someone shouting for help. The helm was put hard a-starboard, and a hand sent aft to look-out. The engines stopped and reversed astern. The port boat was cleared away and lowered in the water. The steamer was maneuvered to an opposite to the spot where the cries were heard. At 1:45 a.m. a man was swimming close to the steamer, a line was thrown to him and he was hauled on board. The boat was taken in at 1:55 a.m. The steamer proceeded on her course. The saved man was F. W. Richardson (coloured); trimmer on board the "Ethlope" of Liverpool, which steamer had passed us in the forenoon of the 12th, and would at the time of the accident be about 8 miles ahead of us. He came off watch at midnight, and was sitting on the Main Deck bulwark rail aft, cooling himself, when the ship gave a lurch and he fell overboard. Apparently no one on board the steamer heard him shout. (Signed) A. W. Stonhouse, Master, W. Thompson, Chief Officer.

Trouble on the "Guna." The refusal of about 500 deck

passengers, who arrived in Penang from Madras, to the "Dunera," to go to the Quarantine Camp, caused a little sensation. The police were summoned and Major Barry de Hamel and some Sikhs

went on board. When the Police arrived the passengers offered no resistance but with salams went quietly on the tongkangs for Pulau Jerejak.

It appears that on the arrival of the "Dunera" Dr. Smart, Port Health Officer, boarded the vessel and having examined a child who was suffering from smallpox, ordered all the deck passengers to be sent to the Quarantine Camp. This order caused much dissatisfaction among the passengers and they stubbornly refused to quit the ship.

The grounds for their refusal to go to the Quarantine Station were (1) that the child was attacked with smallpox in a certain part of the ship and the disease had not yet "spread" they said. They further said "The Doctor's very smart." Other passengers said they were destined for Port Swettenham and Singapore and they did not see why they should be detained in Penang.

When the Police boarded the ship a few of the passengers came to the C. P. O. to explain their grievances. After being persuaded they quitted the ship very quietly. (Straits Echo).

To Sail
FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE
AND MOJI.

THE Steamship

JAPAN.

Capt. L. Y. Ambrose, will be despatched for the above ports on FRIDAY, the 8th Nov., at 1 p.m.

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Return tickets are available by the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Steamer, fare for round trip \$150.

For Freight or Passage, apply to—

DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD., Agents.

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VESSELS TAKING CARGO.

European Ports.

Destination.	Vessel's Name.	For Freight Apply To	To be Dispatched.
London and Antwerp	Flintshire	J. M. & Co.	20 November
London and Antwerp via Singapore, &c.	Nyassa	E. & O. Co.	13 Nov., about
Havre and Hamburg	Acadim	H. A. L.	3 November
Havre, Bremen and Hamburg, &c.	Scandia	H. A. L.	20 November
Bremen, Hamburg and Antwerp, &c.	Sithonia	H. A. L.	22 November
Marseilles, &c.	Sachsen	H. A. L.	31 October
Marseilles and Hamburg	Sengambia	H. A. L.	4 November
Marseilles, London & Antwerp via Singapore, &c.	Kitano Maru	N. Y. K.	6 Nov., 11th
Trieste, Fiume, Venice, &c.	China	S. W. & Co.	1 Nov., about
Cape Ports via Mauritius	Duneric	Bank-Line	Begin January
Rotterdam and Antwerp	Glenfarg	S. T. & Co.	6 November
Rotterdam and Hamburg, &c.	Argonia	H. A. L.	5 December
Trieste via Singapore, Penang & Colombo, &c.	Bohemia	S. W. & Co.	19 November
Copenhagen and Baltic Ports	Japan	A. N. & Co.	28 Oct., about

New York, San Francisco and Canada.

Boston and New York via Suez Canal	City of Baroda	Bank Line	25 Nov., about
Baltimore and New York	Saint Patrick	D. & Co.	14 Nov., about
Baltimore and New York via Suez Canal	Indraakula	J. M. & Co.	5 Nov., about
San Francisco via Japan, &c.	Persia	P. M. Co.	12 November
San Francisco via Shanghai and Japan, &c.	Tsao Maru	T. K. K.	5 November
San Francisco via Keelung and Japan, &c.	Korea	P. M. Co.	19 November
Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma via Keelung, &c.	Mexico Maru	O. S. K.	12 November
Victoria, B.C., and Seattle via Shanghai, &c.	Yokohama Maru	N. Y. K.	5 November
Vancouver	Monteagle	C. P. R. Co.	14 December
Vancouver, &c.	Lord Curzon	Bank Line	20 November
Mexico, Peruvian and Chili via Japan	Hongkong Maru	T. K. K.	3 December

Australia.

Australian Ports	Eastern	G. L. & Co.	9 November
do	Changsha	B. & S.	1 November
do	Nikko Maru	N. Y. K.	22 November
Australian Ports via Manila	Coblenz	M. & Co.	2 November

Singapore, Coast Ports and Japan.

Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, &c.	Tjitaroom	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
Kudat and Sandakan	Borneo	M. & Co.	Middle November
Bombay via Singapore and Colombo	Hakata Maru	N. Y. K.	2 November
do	Kawachi Maru	N. Y. K.	11 November
Singapore and Sourabaya	Fausang	J. M. & Co.	4 November
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Dilwara	D. S. & Co.	4 November
do	Kutisang	J. M. & Co.	2 November
Singapore, Batavia, Samarang and Sourabaya.	Banri Maru	D. & Co.	7 Nov., about
Japan	Lawada	J. M. & Co.	10 November
Japan, &c.	Tjiliwong	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
Kobe and Yokohama	Alesia	H. A. L.	19 November
do	Prinz Sigismund	M. & Co.	12 Nov., about
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Tango Maru	N. Y. K.	7 November
Anping and Toku via Swatow and Amoy	Kumano Maru	O. S. K.	13 November
Tientan	Soshu Maru	J. M. & Co.	8 November
Kwang-chow-wang and Haiphong	Cheongsheng	M. M. Co.	6 November
Swatow	Si-Kiang	D. L. & Co.	3 November
do	Haiyang	D. L. & Co.	1 November
Tamqui via Swatow and Amoy	Haiching	D. L. & Co.	5 November
Foochow via Swatow and Amoy	Haitan	D. L. & Co.	8 November
Manila	Daigai Maru	O. S. K.	3 November
do	Kaijo Maru	J. M. & Co.	2 November
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Loongsang	J. M. & Co.	9 November
Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu	Taming	B. & S.	7 November
do	Zafiro	S. T. & Co.	18 November
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji	Sanuki Maru	N. Y. K.	8 November
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji	Jolonga	D. S. & Co.	5 November
do	Namsang	J. M. & Co.	11 November
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Australian	M. M. Co.	4 November
do	Liberia	H. A. L.	13 November
do	Kirin Maru	N. Y. K.	11 November
Shanghai and Japan	Ceylon	A. N. & Co.	17 November
Shanghai	Danbighshire	J. M. & Co.	1 Nov., about
do	Bohemian	S. W. & Co.	4 November
do	Tjilatjap	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
do	Tjibodas	P. & O. Co.	7 Nov., about
do	Assaye	J. M. & Co.	2 November
do	Hongsang		

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S.S. "SAINT" on or about 14th
PATRICK" November.

For Freight and further information,
apply to—

DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th Oct., 1912. [763]

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE
AND MOJI.

THE Steamship
JELUNGA.

Captain D. MacFadden, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 5th Nov., 3 p.m.

The steamer has superior accommodation for passengers, is installed throughout with Electric Light and carries a duly certified doctor.

Return tickets are available by the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Steamer, fare for round trip \$150.

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FOR BOSTON AND NEW YORK
via SUEZ CANAL.

(With liberty to call at the Malabar Coast.)

THE Steamship
CITY OF BARODA.

Captain H. H. Smith, will be despatched from this port on or about MONDAY, the 11th November.

Return tickets are available by the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Steamer,

COMMERCIAL.

Royal Dutch Oil Co.

Petroleum shares were active again last week, writes an Amsterdam correspondent of The "Financial News," on September 24, quotations advancing all round in the beginning, with a somewhat reactionary tendency towards the close. Royal Dutch fluctuated between 528.1-2 and 539.1-2, closing at 532, the stock of the Geconsolideerde, between 270 and 277, closing at 274.

Russian petroleum shares have declined, and business has become narrower again. A considerable rise took place in the shares of the Perlak and South Perlak—two subsidiaries of the Royal Dutch-Shell Combine, in consequence of the issue of the stock of a new Royal Dutch-Shell subsidiary, the Poudawa Petroleum Company, whose fields are in close proximity to those of the Perlak concerns. The Poudawa has a share capital of 2,300,000R. All operations will be carried on by the Royal Dutch, which will pay a royalty of 1.75% per ton of crude oil for the first 100,000 tons and of 2% per ton for the second 100,000 tons, while production in excess of this amount will be taken over at 2.25% per ton. The Royal Dutch Company has paid 100,000R. at once, and will pay 10,000R. more in each of the three following years; while, moreover, it has pledged itself to make extensive borings on the new property at a cost of about 500,000R. This proves that the Royal Dutch Company is confident that the Perlak concessions and the adjoining fields in Ajieh, in the northern part of Sumatra, may do well in future. It is interesting to note that the Nederlandsch Kotoenlo Petroleum Maatschappij (Dutch Colonial Petroleum Company), the new big Standard Oil creation which is trying to get a footing in the Dutch Indies, has secured a concession adjoining this field.

The Rice Market.

From Messrs. Morrison and Co.'s weekly market report, dated Rangoon, October 4:—

White Rice.—There has been a further slight decline this week and there has been rather a falling off in the demand from Java, but a small business is reported to the Straits. There has been no business in new crop, but there are sellers of January to its, 320. We quote in a dull market—

Sept. Oct. Rs. 350 to Rs. 352.8 for special Straits from speculators.

Small mills are quoted at Rs. 400.

Comparative exports of rice from Rangoon from January 1 to Oct. 3:—

Tons.	Tons.
To Europe...	69,637
To India ...	73,451
To India ...	47,746
To Straits, Java, and ...	189,300
Japan ...	665,118
To America ...	16,372
Total ...	1,448,873
Yokohama Specie Bank.	1,601,468

ENGLAND TO INDIA BY AIR.

An aeroplane flight from England to India is now under consideration, and there is every prospect of the project taking definite shape before the end of the year.

The distance along the proposed route is 4,800 miles, and it is estimated that each day's stage would be 400 miles, so that the great journey would be completed, weather and other circumstances permitting, in 12 days. There will, however, be no attempt to set up a record, the main idea being to test the possibilities of the route and the capabilities of the machine.

In India the proposal is being supported by a number of native princes, including the Maharnaths of Jodhpur and Bikaner, who have intimated to the Advisory Committee their willingness to give prizes of 3,000 and 4,000 rupees (200 and 280) respectively. The Begum of Bhopal has also offered a prize of 3,000 rupees.

The Royal Geographical Society has rendered every possible assistance in selecting a suitable route which has been laid out as follows:—

London. Adana. Calais. Alexandria. Brussels. Meskone.

Cologne. Along the Euphrates. Along the Rhine to Bagdad. To Frankfort. Along the Tigris. Ratisbon. to Basra.

Along north bank of the Persian Gulf to Bushire. Danube. Constantiople. Along the coast Konieh (Asia Minor). to Karschi.

Cilicia. Several offers of machines have been received by the committee, but up the present no definite arrangements have been made.

Bangkok Shipping News. The well-known firm of Mosses, Siong Kee, rice millers and merchants of Bangkok, who have had large experience in the shipping business of this port have, the Siam Observer learns, just chartered the Norwegian Standard, previously engaged in the China trade for a year at the rate of (S'pore) \$6,000 per month with the option of renewing for another year. This vessel is about six years old having her maiden voyage called at Bangkok before taking up her charter up North. She is about 800 to 900 tons, registered, and had accommodation for twelve first class passengers and also accommodation for second class passengers. This firm says the "Straits Times," has time charter of the Norwegian steamer Profit at the present time. It is also reported amongst Chinese shipping circles that one or two other Chinese firms are also making enquiries for the chartering of three or four steamers of this size.

By Order, H. P. WINSLOW, Manager, British Section, Kowloon-Canton Railway.

By Order, The Administration, Chinese Section, Canton-Kowloon Railway.

Kowloon, 20th Oct. 1912. [801

Notice

CANTON-KOWLOON RAILWAY.

CHEAP EXCURSION TICKETS FOR THE WINTER MONTHS.

COMMENCING on FRIDAY 1st November, and until further notice the following Special Excursion Fares will come into operation between Hongkong and Kowloon and Canton and vice versa.

First Class Return 56.75
Second " 33.00
Third " 31.50

These tickets will be available for the return journey for one week from date of issue.

Holders of these tickets are entitled to travel free across the Harbour by the Star Ferry, but are not permitted to break the journey at intermediate stations.

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CANTON-KOWLOON RAILWAY.

IMPORTANT ALTERATION OF TRAIN SERVICE.

ON and from FRIDAY, November 1st the following important alterations will be made in the present time Table:—

The first Local Train will leave Kowloon at 6.30 A.M. instead of 7.00 A.M. and return from Shum Chun at 8.10 A.M. instead of 8.15 A.M.

From Canton to Kowloon the first

Through Train will leave at 7.35 A.M. instead of 7.45 A.M. and the second at 10.45 A.M. instead of 11.00 A.M.

An additional train for 3rd class passengers only will leave Shum Chun at 2.38 P.M. on SATURDAYS only calling at all stations and arriving Kowloon at 9.30 P.M.

SATURDAYS and SUNDAYS

only, a train will leave Kowloon at 5.10 P.M. and return from Shum Chun at 6.14 P.M. stopping at Fan Ling and Tai Po and arriving Kowloon at 7.00 P.M.

The Express Train from Canton leaving Shum Chun at 6.05 P.M. will not call at Fan Ling.

Breakfasts, Hot and Cold lunches and other refreshments may from this date be obtained by passengers travelling by the Through Train leaving Kowloon at 8.15 A.M. and 2.40 P.M. and Canton at 7.35 A.M. and 2.55 P.M.

All other Trains will remain as at present advertised.

Time Tables may be obtained at all stations and at the Head Offices at Kowloon and Canton.

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Notice

S. E. "DACRE CASTLE."

TENDERS are invited by the Undersigned, on behalf of the Underwriters, for purchase of the week of the above Steamer as she lies at Keeling.

For further particulars apply at our Offices, 8a, Des Voeux Road.

GILMAN & CO.,

Lloyd's Agents, Hongkong, 30th Oct. 1912. [801

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THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MEETING of the Orangegrove Cricket Club will be held at the Pavilion on FRIDAY, the 1st November at 5.30 P.M.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

(Continued from page 5.) and therefore if the clauses were inserted with an invitation, (as if to) to the naval and military authority, it certainly tended to interfere with the work which has hitherto formed a part of the work of the private practitioner.

The Hon. Attorney General pointed out that there was a very important reservation, in the clause, and that was that the consent of His Excellency the Governor had to be obtained before any work for the naval and military authorities should be taken by the Crown Solicitor. After pointing out that there was very little likelihood of the Crown Solicitor's office being able to take outside work of that nature, and more so in the future, when relations with a neighbouring country allowed of the resumption of extradition, the Hon. Attorney General remarked that he did not think it would hinder private practitioners, and sometimes it might be necessary for one Government department to go to another for advice.

When the bill was taken into committee the Hon. Mr. Pollock moved an amendment that the subsection be deleted.

The Hon. Sir Kai Ho Kai seconded and remarked that the explanation of the Hon. Attorney General was strongly in favour of the deletion of this particular subsection.

The Hon. Col. St. John said when he saw the provision he was glad, when he saw the clause inserted. At home he understood they were not permitted to go outside.

His Excellency said the reason for the insertion was perfectly clear when they remembered what the practice was at Home.

The amendment was lost by nine votes to 4.

The Hon. Sir Kai Ho Kai moved the second reading of the Bill providing for the incorporation of the church body of the China Congregational Church of Hongkong.

The Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk seconded and the motion was carried.

The Bill, passing through the committee stage without amendment, was read a third time and passed.

The Council went into Committee on the bill for the appropriation of a supplementary sum of \$28,600.43 to defray charges of the year 1911.

The bill, emerging from Committee, was read a third time and passed.

The third reading of a bill entitled an ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding \$7,116.454 for the purposes of the services of the colony, was passed on the motion of the Hon. Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Hon. Colonial Treasurer.

The Council rose at 3.25 and was adjourned for a fortnight.

MINNESOTA AFFRAY.

(Continued from page 1.) Replying to his Worship, accused said he had no questions to ask the witness.

Harold Mayson, third electrician, was next called. He stated that on the 28th he was not on shore, having to go watch at 6 p.m. until 6 a.m. His duties were not only in the engine room, but all over the ship. He saw the accused in the engineer's messroom having some beer with engineer Strand. That was before he was standing at the entrance to the water tender's room. The accused went into the engineer's room, which was practically within a few feet of the water tender's room. Accused had something to eat and also some drinks, but nothing intoxicating. Strand was the first to leave, going to the water tender's room. Witness followed him, leaving accused in the room. Witness looked into the water tender's room, and saw Stein, Strand, and the accused. A few minutes later accused passed the door of the room, but did not go in.

Deceased said "Bring the old son of a b— back and I will talk to him." The accused did not stop but passed on. Deceased was speaking in a general way to them all, and what he said could easily be heard by anybody in the immediate neighbourhood. If accused was passing the door he could have heard the

remark. The next remark that passed was "I'll get the old son of a b— yet; I'll make him fight". With that, deceased got up and tried to go out. Witness tried to stop him, but deceased knocked him aside. Deceased deliberately forced his way past and although witness called on the others to stop him, he got past and followed accused. Witness could not exactly say that deceased was "in a state of drink," though he had certainly been drinking. The reason witness told the others to stop the deceased was that he was "a big strapping fellow of 28 years."

THE CHRONICLE OF THE INSURANCE STAMP.

The following whimsical production explains itself:

And in these days arose one David, surnamed Lloyd George, who was known as the taxer. He was a small man of mighty valour, learned in the law and the prophecies, and cunning of speech. He was of the Country of Wales: but a sojourn in the place called Limehouse had changed his speech of the silvery tongue to that of brass. And behold this man beguiled the rulers of the nation so that they decreed:

"Ye men and women, rich and poor, high and low, from the mighty who clothe in fine linen and fare sumptuously every day, even to him that eats of the crumbs that fall from the rich man's table, manservants and maid-servants, workers in brass and iron, and tillers of the soil, yea, all who earn their bread by the toil of the hands and the sweat of the brow, ye shall bow down and lick the paper wherein is engraved the superscription 'Insurance Stamp.'"

But the physicians would not, and cried "Away with him. Aro thy servants doge that they should lick the juice of the Gumption? We want not this rare and refreshing fruit."

And the rulers wist not what to do, and the chief ruler, whose name was Askwith, counselled them in these words—Wait and See.

But many of the people were beguiled and said, Lo, this man doth a wondrous thing, for whereas we heretofore had four pennies, behold he hath promised us nine pennies. He is great, for he humbleth the high and exalteth those of low estate.

But an exceeding great number murmured, and as they departed sorrowful, said in the strange speech of that country, "I Don't Think."

BELGIAN CONGO TRADE.

Rubber Chief Export in Second Half of 1911:

The Bulletin de l'Office Colonial gives details of the foreign trade of the Belgian Congo in the second half of the year 1911. The exports were valued at 41,271,478 francs and the imports at 34,011,455 francs. Special commerce—i.e., export business in goods originating in the country, or import of goods for consumption in the country—made as follows—Exports 20,980,944 francs and imports 28,724,500 francs, the combined general and special commerce in the first half of the year amounted to 63,000,000 francs and 48,000,000 francs.

The leading business in the second half was done in rubber, then ivory, copa, crude copper, palm nuts, gold, palm oil and cocoa. Belgium is the largest buyer, particularly for cocoons, rubber, copa, ivory, copper and gold. Nearly all the palm nuts and palm oil are sent into Angola. As to the importations, the leading items were coloured and printed cottons, provisions, clothing, machinery parts, machines, wares, tools, constructional iron, fish, wrought wood, locomotives, beer, flour, rice, boat-furniture, wagons, coal, camping material, cartridges, etc.

This classification of imported goods is in the order of the importance of the business done, and is extracted from a statement of the whole year (1911) business, and affords good evidence of the value of the Congo. Dependence as a market for goods.

POST OFFICE.

XMAS AND NEW YEAR PARCELS.

The Public are informed that the Christmas and New Year Parcels Mail to the United Kingdom and Countries beyond, will be closed in this Office on Friday, the 8th of November at 5 p.m. This Parcels Mail by the long-sea route via Gibraltar is due to reach London on the 14th of December. Parcels may be forwarded by the same Mail via Brindisi with an extra fee of 60 cents. Parcels so superscribed are due to reach London on the 8th of December. The following Mail of the 22nd November is not due London via Gibraltar, until the 28th of December; via Brindisi on the 20th of December.

Parcels containing Gold or Silver must be insured for at least part of their value. All Insured Parcels must be sealed. All the seals must be of the same colour wax and must bear the impression of a private device. This device must be the same on each seal.

Straight, Curved, Crossed or Dotted Lines are not admissible. Buttons, Coins or Thimbles are not to be used for sealing.

The Clerks of the Post Office are forbidden to affix stamps on Letters or Parcels or to seal any article for the Public. Parcels that in the opinion of the Officer handling the same do not comply with the regulations, will not be accepted.

It is requested that Parcels be posted early.

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

Left London Due Shanghai
Oct. 9 Oct. 26
Oct. 18 Oct. 28

MAILS DUE.

Siberian, Kwangtung, 1st prox.
American, Pemba, 2nd prox.
German, P. Sigmund, 11th prox.

MAILS CLOSE.

For s.s. Kwangtung, with the Sibérien Mail from London on Saturday the 12th inst. is due to arrive here to-morrow.

The s.s. Persia, with the American Mail is due to arrive here between 4 and 8 a.m. on Saturday the 2nd prox.

MAILS CLOSE.

Port Bayard—Per Chongwa, 1st Nov., 8 a.m.

Hoiohow and Haiphong—Per Mathilde, 1st Nov., 8 a.m.

Pakhoi and Haiphong—Per Hong-kong, 1st Nov., 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Hainan, 1st Nov., 10 a.m.

Philippines Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand via Port Darwin—Per Changsha, 1st Nov., 11 a.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India via Calcutta—Per China, 1st Nov., 11 a.m.

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